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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

Attorney Docket No.:	01052
Inventor(s):	JUSTIN et al.
Title:	CARRIER FOR HOLDING TEST SAMPLES
Examiner:	Unassigned
Group:	Unassigned

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS** (See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents)

- [X] 1. 41 pages of Specification, 3 pages of Claims (# of claims: 12) & Abstract;
- [X] 2. Drawings (35 USC 113)  
Total Number of Figures: 34  
Total Number of Sheets: 31
- [X] 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney  
[X] a. Newly executed (original or copy)  
[ ] b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)).
- [ ] 4. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- [ ] 5. Preliminary Amendment
- [X] 6. Fee Transmittal (see below)

THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:						
	Claims Filed		Extra		SMALL	LARGE
					\$ 385.00	\$ 770.00
Total Claims	12	Minus 20	0	X	\$ 9.00	\$ 18.00
Independent	2	Minus 03	0	X	\$ 43.00	\$ 86.00
( ) Multiple dependent claim fee				+	\$ 145.00	\$ 290.00
FILING FEE TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 50-0364:						\$ 770.00

- [ ] 7. Small Entity Statement  
[ ] Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired.

- [ ] 8. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449  
[ ] Including copies of IDS citations (refs.)

- [ ] 9. Certified Copy(ies) of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) were received in the parent application, U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, of this application

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- [ ] 10. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:  
[ ] Continuation [ ] Divisional [ ] Continuation-In-Part (CIP)  
of prior application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Prior application information: Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Group: \_\_\_\_\_

- [X] 11. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)

- [X] 12. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-mentioned fees associated with the filing of this paper and any other fees required with this submission or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0364.

- a. X Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.  
b. X Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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- [ ] 14. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

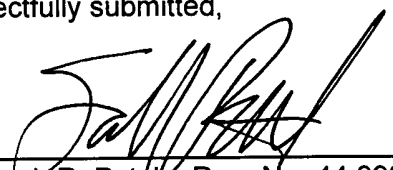
- ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF) copy of the Sequence Listing
- ☐ Paper copy of the Sequence Listing
- ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

- [X] 15. Assignment:
- [X] Assignment Document
  - [X] Recordation Form Cover Sheet

- [ ] 16. Other:

Respectfully submitted,

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